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**Subject:** FW: NOIP for MSA Grand Rapids-Kentwood, Michigan  
**Date:** Monday, April 3, 2023 4:43:27 PM  
**Attachments:** [GVMC NOIP EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant.pdf](#)

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NOIP from Grand Rapids!

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**From:** Wendy Ogilvie <[wendy.ogilvie@gvmc.org](mailto:wendy.ogilvie@gvmc.org)>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 3, 2023 3:14 PM  
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**Cc:** john.weiss <[john.weiss@gvmc.org](mailto:john.weiss@gvmc.org)>  
**Subject:** NOIP for MSA Grand Rapids-Kentwood, Michigan

Please accept the attached letter as the Notice of Intent to Participate in EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Program, signed by John Weiss, Executive Director, Grand Valley Metro Council (GVMC). Included with the letter are letters of support from collaborating jurisdictions. This planning grant will cover the Grand Rapids-Kentwood MSA in West Michigan.  
Please let us know if you need any additional information at this time.  
Wendy

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To: EPA Office of Air and Radiation [CPRG@epa.gov]

From: John Weiss  
Executive Director  
Grand Valley Metropolitan Council  
Grand Rapids-Kentwood, MI Metro Area

Subject: Notice of Intent to Participate in CPRG Planning Grant from Grand Rapids-Kentwood,  
MI  
Metro Area

On behalf the Grand Rapids-Kentwood, MI Metro Area, I accept EPA's offer to participate in the CPRG Planning Grant program and designate Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC) with oversight and responsibility for managing grant funds and coordinating activities and deliverables pertaining to the CPRG Planning Grant program. Letters of support from the following concurring jurisdictions within the Grand Rapids-Kentwood, MI Metro Area are attached:

City of Grand Rapids  
City of Kentwood  
City of East Grand Rapids  
Ottawa County  
Kent County

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We look forward to hearing from you regarding this opportunity,




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*John Weiss, Executive Director*

DATE: 4/3/2023



## CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

March 28, 2023

Mr. John Weiss  
Grand Valley Metro Council  
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Dear Mr. Weiss:

On behalf of The City of Grand Rapids, I support the Grand Valley Metro Council's (GVMC) proposal to the EPA's Office of Air and Radiation to participate in the CPG Planning Grant program. We welcome this opportunity to be involved with the other project partners in the Grand Rapids-Kentwood, MI Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). Our community is committed to working with GVMC to develop climate action plans to deliver cleaner air by reducing harmful air pollution in places where people live, work, and play.

Sincerely,

Mark Washington  
City Manager



# City of Kentwood, Michigan

Office of the Mayor

March 28, 2023

Mr. John Weiss  
Grand Valley Metro Council  
678 Front Ave., NW, Suite 200  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Re: Letter of Support for the CPG Planning Grant Program

Dear Mr. Weiss:

On behalf of the City of Kentwood, I support the Grand Valley Metro Council's (GVMC) proposal to the EPA's Office of Air and Radiation to participate in the CPG Planning Grant program. We welcome the opportunity to be involved with the other project partners in the Grand Rapids-Kentwood, Michigan Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). Our community is committed to working with GVMC to develop climate action plans to deliver cleaner air by reducing harmful air pollution in places where our residents live, work, and play.

Please contact me at 616.554.0771 should you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Stephen C.N. Kepley, P.E.  
Mayor



# City of East Grand Rapids, Michigan

March 28, 2023

Mr. John Weiss  
Grand Valley Metro Council  
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Dear Mr. Weiss:

On behalf of The City of East Grand Rapids, I support the Grand Valley Metro Council's (GVMC) proposal to the EPA's Office of Air and Radiation to participate in the CPG Planning Grant program. We welcome this opportunity to be involved with the other project partners in the Grand Rapids-Kentwood, MI Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). Our community is committed to working with GVMC to develop climate action plans to deliver cleaner air by reducing harmful air pollution in places where people live, work, and play.

Sincerely,

Katie Favale, Mayor  
City of East Grand Rapids

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April 3, 2023

Mr. John Weiss  
Grand Valley Metro Council  
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Dear John,

It is my pleasure to provide this letter of support on behalf of Kent County for the Grand Valley Metro Council's (GVMC) proposal to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program. My team and I look forward to this opportunity to work collaboratively with other partners in the region to identify strategies that can be implemented to reduce our communities' impact on the environment, improve public health, and make our region more sustainable. These impacts strongly align with existing Kent County efforts being led by our Public Works, Health, Community Action, and Parks departments. I support the GVMC's efforts to lead collaborative planning that will result in practical solutions that have a long-term impact on our communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alan G. Vanderberg', is written over the typed name and title.

Alan G. Vanderberg  
County Administrator



**Ottawa County**  
Department of  
Strategic Impact

March 30, 2023

Mr. John Weiss  
Grand Valley Metro Council  
678 Front Ave. NW, Suite 200  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Dear Mr. Weiss:

On behalf of Ottawa County, I support the Grand Valley Metro Council's (GVMC) efforts to serve as lead in pursuing *planning grant* funding from the EPA's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program and, if awarded, serving to help organize and convene local stakeholders to develop corresponding, and appropriate, climate action plans.

We welcome this opportunity to be involved in this planning phase with the other project partners in the Grand Rapids-Kentwood, MI Metro Area.

Sincerely,

Paul Sachs  
Director, Ottawa County Department of Strategic Impact